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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: OPTICAL CONNECTING DEVICE FOR COUPLING  
CONNECTORS TO AN APPARATUS WITH MULTIPLE PORTS

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XXX Specification (15pps.) consisting of: Description (10pps); Claims (4 pps); Abstract (1 pp);

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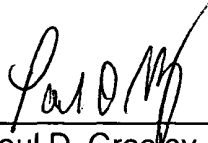
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